IN THE SPECIFICATION:

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FIELD OF THE INVENTION.

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DESCRIPTION OF RELATED ART.

Page 3, after the first paragraph and before the second paragraph, insert the following subheading:

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SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION.

Page 7, after line 2, and before the first full paragraph (line 3), insert the following subheading:

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BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS.

Page 7, lines 11-34, please amend as follows:

- Figure 2 shows a longitudinal section of a first embodiment of a linking device according to the invention, said section being made along the plane referenced ~~BB~~ II-II in Figure 3,

- Figure 3 is a cross section of this device, said section being made along the plane referenced ~~AA~~ I-I in Figure 2,

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- Figure 4 shows a longitudinal section of a second embodiment of an unlockable linking device, said section being made along the plane referenced ~~EE~~ V-V in Figure 5,

- Figure 5 is a view of the preceding device as a cross section along the plane referenced ~~CC~~ III-III in Figure 4,

- Figure 6 shows a longitudinal section of a third embodiment of an unlockable linking device,

- Figure 7 is a view of the preceding device as a cross section along the plane referenced ~~DD~~ IV-IV in Figure 6, the nut and plate having been removed,

- Figure 8 shows a longitudinal section of an unlockable linking device~~.~~,

- Figure 9 shows a longitudinal section of the embodiment shown in Figure 2, but in a disengaged position.

Figure 1 shows a brake pedal 1 of an automobile vehicle. This pedal is hinged with respect to the vehicle floor by a shaft 2. It acts on a rod 3 of a master brake cylinder 4 by means of an unlockable mechanical linking device 5.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS.

Page 8, lines 5-6, please amend as follows:

The unlocking device 5 according to a first embodiment can be seen in detail in Figures 2, 3 and 9 ~~and 3~~.

Page 8, lines 10-15, please amend as follows:

The tube is housed in a bore 17 of a second mechanical element that is a cylindrical hub 11 incorporating a seat 12 of reduced diameter. This seat 12 is housed in a matching hole 13 arranged in the brake pedal 1. The hub 11 is made integral with

the pedal 1 using a flexible ring 14 that is positioned in a circular groove 12a of the seat 12, as shown in Figure 9.

Page 8, lines 24-26, please amend as follows:

Each tip 15 incorporates a conical external profile 18 that co-operates with a ~~groove~~ portion 19a having a matching profile 19 and arranged in the bore 17 of the hub 11.

Page 9, lines 31-35, please amend as follows:

Lastly, a first cylindrical seat 22 of the piston 21 incorporates a rib 33 co-operating with a matching circular groove 33a arranged in the cylindrical surface of the internal bore 20 as to ensure the axial positioning of the piston 21 in its retention position.

Page 10, lines 8-10, please amend as follows:

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The co-operation of the rib 33 in its circular groove 33a ensures the positioning of the piston 21 in its retention position and prevents any accidental displacement.